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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE OF MODIFICATION OF A UPDES PERMIT

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO DECLARE THE STATE OF UTAH'S INTENTION TO MODIFY A UTAH POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (UPDES) PERMIT UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER QUALITY ACT, SECTION 19-5-106 AND 107, UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 1953, AS AMENDED. SAID "PERMIT" REFERS TO UPDES PERMIT AND THE STATEMENT OF BASIS (INCLUDING THE TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDL'S)) IF APPLICABLE, AS PER SECTION 303 (d) OF THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA).

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME:

Energy West Mining Company, Trail Mountain Mine

MAILING ADDRESS:

15 North Main, Huntington UT 84528

TELEPHONE NUMBER:

435-**68**7**-**4711

FACILITY LOCATION:

Approximately twelve miles northwest of Orangeville, Utah in Emery

County, near the Cottonwood/Wilberg Mine

UPDES PERMIT NO.: PERMITTED OUTFALLS

UT0023728 001, 002, 003

RECEIVING WATER:

Cottonwood Canyon Creek and Grimes Wash or tributaries to Cottonwood

Creek

BACKGROUND

Energy West Mining Company (a subsidiary of PacifiCorp) Trail Mountain Mine is an underground coal mining operation which ceased operation in 2001. The portals have been sealed and there has been no mining activity since that time. None of the Outfalls have discharged nor are presently discharging. EnergyWest has requested that the waste rock site Outfall be removed from the Cottonwood/Wilberg permit and added as an additional Outfall to the Trail Mountain permit. When the Trail Mountain Mine permit is transferred to a new owner/operator, it will have a permitted waste rock site

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on April 10, 2015. Written public comments can be submitted to: Mike Herkimer, UPDES Engineering Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: mherkimer@utah.gov. After considering public comment, the Division of Water Quality may reissue, revise, or abandon this permit modification. The permit modification is available for public review under "Public Participation" at www.waterquality.utah.gov. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Mike Herkimer at 801-536-4386.